

Hemyock Parish Council
Commons Management Group Meeting
held at Longmead, Hemyock at 7.30pm on 21st January 2016

Subject	Action
<p>1. <u>Present</u> Mr S Clist (Chair), Mr N Moon, Mr P Doble, Mr L Povah, Ms J Pritchard, Mrs D Evans (Parish Clerk), and 1 member of the public (Mrs J Moon)</p>	
<p>2. <u>Declarations of Interest/Dispensations</u> 2.1 Mr S Clist declared he has a personal interest as he is a member of Devon Wildlife Trust (DWT). DWT provides advice on the management of the commons. 2.2 Mr N Moon declared he has a personal interest as he is a member of the rough shoot syndicate which uses Hemyock & Shuttleton Commons. 2.3 Mr P Doble declared a personal interest as he owns land adjoining Shuttleton Common.</p>	
<p>3. <u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u> PROPOSAL: The minutes of the 26th November meeting are approved. PROPOSED: Mr N Moon SECONDED: Ms J Pritchard DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p>	
<p>4. <u>Matters arising</u> 4.1 Volunteering Day – It was agreed that a volunteering day, under Ed Hopkinson’s supervision, shall be arranged for Sunday 13th March at 10am. 4.2 Website – clerk has added an additional page onto the council’s section of the village website. Ideas suggested for the page included:- month by month details of what visitors might look out for ref wildlife, introduction to the CMG, short write up on each common, link to footpath walk up to Hemyock common, pictures of common and wildlife.</p>	<p>All Clerk</p>
<p>5. <u>Hemyock Common & Shuttleton Common</u> 5.1 CMG to meet with the Gun Club, on site, to discuss and agree management plan for this year (including:- spray thistle weed, mow ‘village green’, create a circular pathway around edge of bracken for walkers to use). Clerk will contact Mr D Allen to arrange. MDDC has confirmed that the Gun Club has taken all necessary mitigation measures to reduce noise and MDDC will take no further action.</p>	Clerk
<p>6. <u>Lickham & Ashculme Turbaries</u> Nothing to report from DWT.</p>	
<p>7. <u>Owleycombe Common</u> AONB will visit the site to survey it much later this year, when the weather is suitable.</p>	
<p>8. <u>Hemyock Community Orchard & Environmental Area</u> No news from the alleged landowner. Clerk to check with Land Registry to obtain any ownership information.</p>	Clerk
<p>9. <u>Items raised by Chairman</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>10. <u>Items raised by Councillors/Clerk</u> Devon Birds, Devon Wildlife Trust and DBRC are conducting a willow tit survey on Hemyock Common over the next 2 years. We look forward to receiving the results.</p>	
<p>11. <u>Public Participation</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>12. <u>Summary of Recommendations/Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webpage ready for 1st March 2016 • Volunteering day Shuttleton Common Sunday 13th March at 10am. • CMG to meet with Gun Club to agree management plan for this year. 	
<p>13. <u>Next Meeting</u> 7.30pm on Thursday 18th February 2016 at Longmead</p>	

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

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